

been Vice President of the Parents' Guild of Roselle Catholic High School. Pat has also been a member of the Catholic War Veterans, the Veterans of Foreign Wars, and the Knights of Columbus. Pat is currently a member of the Council of Regents of Felician College in Lodi, New Jersey, and a member of the Housing Commission of the Archdiocese of Newark. Pat and his wife, Adele, have been married for forty-eight years and are the proud parents of four children and ten grandchildren.

Pat's integrity and commitment to New Jersey are two of the qualities I admire most. He has worked to pass these same qualities along to the countless numbers he has faithfully served. Pat's contributions have done much for the future of New Jersey, and our nation as a whole. I congratulate Pat on a job well done, and I wish him the best in retirement.●

CENSURE

● Mr. KOHL. Mr. President, during the impeachment trial, it was the duty of the Senate to look at the facts, look at the law, look at the Constitution, and make a judgment. We did our duty.

But now we need to go one step further because neither acquittal nor conviction is an entirely adequate conclusion to this sordid matter. We must speak our contempt and disappointment for the low behavior of our highest elected official.

We need to speak for the spirit behind our laws, behind this institution, behind the country. We need to say that the President's actions and lies were wrong—"shameful, reckless and indefensible." We need to acknowledge that his conduct, unacceptable for any American, is especially so for the President of the United States because it "creates disrespect for the laws of the land."

I am proud that all 100 Senators worked together through this ordeal to do our duty. I am proud that so many of us from both sides of the aisle worked together to craft this tough censure resolution.

But I am sorry that a small minority will keep us from also doing what is honorable and what is right. We need to officially express our collective disdain for the President's conduct. It's the only truly appropriate, bipartisan way to bring closure to this melancholy moment in American history.

When Senator FEINSTEIN and I started talking about a censure resolution, as early as last December, I had no certainty that we would come so far and bring so many along. Her perseverance, hard work and legislative craftsmanship deserve our praise, but our efforts deserve a clean "up or down" vote.●

IN RECOGNITION OF 100 YEARS OF BASKETBALL AT MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY

● Mr. LEVIN. Mr. President, I rise today to pay tribute to the Michigan State University basketball program, which is celebrating 100 years of excellence this year.

The MSU fight song begins, "On the banks of the Red Cedar, Is a school that's known to all, Its specialty is winning, And those Spartans play good ball. . ." Any basketball fan who has watched the Spartans on the court throughout their history knows just how good they have been. Who could forget the wizardry of Lansing, Michigan's own Earvin Johnson, who performed "magic" every time he stepped onto the court? Or the deft shooting touch of Big Ten scoring champion Mike Robinson? Or the dapper sensibility of legendary coach Jud Heathcote, who coached Michigan State to a national championship in 1979? In all, the MSU men's basketball team has won seven Big Ten championships, one national title, and has made ten consecutive post-season tournament appearances. Forty-five Spartans have been drafted by the National Basketball Association, fifteen have been honored as first-team All-Americans, and four have been Big Ten Player of the Year.

This year's Spartans basketball team is living up to the standards set by the heroes of the past. They are currently in first place in the Big Ten and are ranked fourth in the nation. Under the leadership of their coach, Iron Mountain, Michigan native Tom Izzo, the Spartans are roaring into the post-season ready for the challenges "March Madness" will bring. Like countless basketball fans nationwide, I am looking forward to watching Mateen Cleaves, Morris Peterson and the rest of the team add another national championship to the Michigan State trophy collection.

Michigan State's athletes, whether they compete in basketball, volleyball, gymnastics, football, or any of MSU's athletic programs, also deserve recognition for their outstanding achievements in the classroom. More than three hundred of MSU's student athletes had 3.0 cumulative grade point averages as of the fall semester. One hundred seventy-eight were on the Dean's List. And thirty-nine had 4.0 grade point averages. Now, thanks to the unprecedented generosity of a former Spartan basketball player, MSU's student athletes will have access to some of the finest academic support facilities in the country. Steve Smith, Michigan State's all-time leading scorer and current NBA star, recently gave \$2.5 million to MSU to build the Clara Bell Smith Student-Athlete Center, named for Steve's late mother. The Center serves the more than 800 students who play varsity

sports at Michigan State. Athletes are able to take advantage of tutoring and mentoring programs, computer literacy training and career development sessions. The Clara Bell Smith Student-Athlete Center is truly a powerful symbol of Michigan State's commitment to the academic success of its athletes.

Mr. President, Michigan State basketball has brought pride to the students and alumni of that great university, as well as to the people of Michigan. I know my colleagues will join me in congratulating Michigan State's students, alumni and faculty as it celebrates 100 years of basketball excellence.●

RESOLUTION OF CENSURE

● Mr. HOLLINGS. Mr. President, I ask that a draft of a proposed resolution of censure be printed in the RECORD.

The material follows:

RESOLUTION OF CENSURE

Whereas William Jefferson Clinton, President of the United States, engaged in an inappropriate relationship with a subordinate employee in the White House, which was shameful, reckless and indefensible;

Whereas William Jefferson Clinton, President of the United States, deliberately misled and deceived the American people, and people in all branches of the United States Government.

Whereas William Jefferson Clinton's conduct in this matter is unacceptable for a President of the United States, does demean the Office of the President as well as the President himself, and creates disrespect for the laws of the land;

Whereas President Clinton fully deserves censure for engaging in such behavior;

Whereas future generations of Americans must know that such behavior is not only unacceptable but also bears grave consequences, including loss of integrity, trust and respect;

Whereas William Jefferson Clinton remains subject to criminal actions in a court of law like any other citizen;

Whereas William Jefferson Clinton's conduct in this matter has brought shame and dishonor to himself and to the Office of the President; and

Whereas William Jefferson Clinton through his conduct in this matter has violated the trust of the American people: Now therefore, be it

Resolved, That the United States Senate does hereby censure William Jefferson Clinton, President of the United States, and does condemn his wrongful conduct in the strongest terms; and now be it further

Resolved, That the United States Senate recognizes the historic gravity of this resolution, and trusts and urges that future congresses will recognize the importance of allowing this statement of censure and condemnation to remain intact for all time; and be it further

Resolved, That the Senate now move on to other matters of significance to our people, to reconcile differences between and within the branches of government, and to work together—across party lines—for the benefit of the American people.●

YIELDING BACK OF MORNING BUSINESS TIME

Mr. THOMAS. Mr. President, the Senate will now yield back the 2 hours of morning business.

ORDER OF PROCEDURE

Mr. THOMAS. On behalf of the majority leader, I expect the Senate to be prepared to adjourn for the week. Obviously there will be no further rollcall votes today. The Senate will reconvene at noon on Monday, February 22, following the President's Day recess.

On that Monday, Senator VOINOVICH will be recognized at noon for the reading of Washington's Farewell Address. Following the address, and a period for morning business, the Senate will begin debate on S. 4, the Soldiers', Sailors', Airmen's and Marines' Bill of Rights Act of 1999. No votes will occur on Monday, the 22nd. However, Senators should be prepared for votes to begin as early as Tuesday morning.

On behalf of the majority leader, I wish all Senators a restful recess, and I look forward to the beginning of what we believe to be a productive legislative period.

AUTHORIZATION FOR APPOINTMENTS BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE, PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE, THE MAJORITY LEADER, AND THE MINORITY LEADER

Mr. THOMAS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that notwithstanding any adjournment or recess of the Senate until Monday, February 22, 1999, the President of the Senate, the President of the Senate pro tempore, the majority leader of the Senate, and the minority leader of the Senate be authorized to make appointments to commissions, committees, boards, conferences, or interparliamentary conferences authorized by law, by concurrent action of the two Houses, or by order of the Senate.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMENDING JUNE ELLEN OFF O'NEILL

Mr. THOMAS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of Senate Resolution 39 submitted by Senators DOMENICI and LAUTENBERG.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 39) commending June Ellenoff O'Neill for her service to Congress and to the Nation.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection to the immediate consideration of the resolution?

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.

Mr. THOMAS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the resolution be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, and the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The resolution (S. Res. 39) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

The resolution, with its preamble, reads as follows:

S. RES. 39

Whereas Dr. June Ellenoff O'Neill has served as the Director of the Congressional Budget Office since March of 1995;

Whereas she previously served in that office in its early years from 1976 to 1979 as the Chief of the Human Resources Cost Estimates Unit and has held numerous positions within the Executive Branch of the Federal Government, within academia, and at respected private research institutions;

Whereas she has been recognized as a leader within the economics profession by her election as Vice President of the American Economics Association and has been published in numerous books, monographs, and articles addressing important issues of public policy and economics;

Whereas during her tenure as Director, an unprecedented period that saw budget deficits turning to surpluses, she has continued to encourage the highest standards of analytical excellence within the staff of the Congressional Budget Office while maintaining the independent and nonpartisan character of the organization;

Whereas she has improved and expanded Congress and the general public's access to the Congressional Budget Office's work product by establishing a web site for the organization;

Whereas she has actively promoted the importance of a budget process to a democratic society by participating in and encouraging her staff to participate in educational and foreign exchange programs;

Whereas she has performed her duties as Director with courage, grace, and intelligence; and

Whereas she has earned the respect and esteem of the United States Senate: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate of the United States commends Dr. June Ellenoff O'Neill for her dedicated, faithful, and outstanding service to her country and to the Senate.

COMMENDING JAMES L. BLUM

Mr. THOMAS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of Senate Resolution 40 submitted by Senators DOMENICI and LAUTENBERG.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 40) commending James L. Blum for his service to Congress and to the Nation.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection to the immediate consideration of the resolution?

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.

Mr. THOMAS. I ask unanimous consent, Mr. President, that the resolution

be agreed to, the preamble be agreed to, and the motion to reconsider be laid upon the table.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The resolution (S. Res. 40) was agreed to.

The preamble was agreed to.

The resolution, with its preamble, reads as follows:

S. RES. 40

Whereas James L. Blum has served as the Deputy Director of the Congressional Budget Office since December of 1991;

Whereas he has served in that office since its creation in 1975; from 1975 to 1991 as the Assistant Director for Budget Analysis and in the post of Acting Director from December 1987 to March of 1989;

Whereas prior to his tenure at the Congressional Budget Office, he has held numerous positions within the Executive Branch of the Federal Government including the Office of Management and Budget and the Department of Labor;

Whereas he is internationally recognized for his expertise in budget and finance;

Whereas he has instilled professionalism and integrity in generations of staff at the Congressional Budget Office by his personal conduct and leadership and has encouraged high standards of scholarship and clarity of presentation from them;

Whereas he was the 1990 recipient of the Roger W. Jones Award for Executive Leadership;

Whereas he has performed his various duties within the Congressional Budget Office with intelligence while displaying calm leadership;

Whereas he possesses irreplaceable institutional knowledge which has been indispensable to the effective functioning of the Congressional Budget Office extending over a period of almost 25 years; and

Whereas he has earned the respect and esteem of the United States Senate: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate of the United States commends James L. Blum for his many years of dedicated, faithful, and outstanding service to his country and to the Senate.

EXPRESSING GRATITUDE FOR THE SERVICE OF FRANCIS L. BURK, JR.

Mr. THOMAS. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate proceed to the immediate consideration of Senate Resolution 41 submitted by Senator THURMOND, and others.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will report.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A resolution (S. Res. 41) expressing the gratitude of the United States Senate for the service of Francis L. Burk, Jr., Legislative Counsel of the United States Senate.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection to the immediate consideration of the resolution?

There being no objection, the Senate proceeded to consider the resolution.

Mr. THURMOND. Mr. President, I rise to commend Mr. Frank Burk, the Legislative Counsel of the Senate, who retired on December 31, 1998, after serving in the Senate for more than 28